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Kelly Dempsey is the proud mother of three children; two adopted and one biological. She is a licensed attorney practicing primarily in adoption law in her own firm, Law Offices of Kelly Tillotson Ensslin, PLLC in Raleigh, North Carolina. After overcoming her own struggles to bring home her daughter adopted from Vietnam, her legal practice expanded from civil litigation to focus on immigration issues with the international adoptions of children living abroad. Dempsey has successfully represented hundreds of families in dozens of countries to ensure that the adoption process was completed and they were able to return home with their children. In addition to case-specific advocacy, Dempsey works to promote international adoption as a viable option for unparented children and to identify and implement solutions that enable more children to find permanent loving homes. Dempsey received her JD from North Carolina Central University School of Law in 2005.